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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	Hubert Manhes
Serial No. 09/214,875	Filing Date: April 19, 1999
Title of Application:	Trocar Sleeve For Endoscopic Applications
Group Art Unit: 3731	Examiner: William W. Lewis

BOX FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

***Response Transmittal and
Petition For Time Extension (37 CFR 1.136[A])***

Dear Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Letter mailed on January 4, 2002.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17). \$110.00 Extension Fee is due with this request.

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4. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the sum of \$110.00. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

May _____, 2002

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Response to Official Action

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 4, 2002, Applicant herewith presents its amendment.

Amendment Revisions

Please substitute claim 30 with the following claim 30.

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made to Each Claim

30. (amended) [The trocar sleeve defined in claim 24] Trocar sleeve for endoscopic applications, comprising:

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